

**Sierra Nevada Conservancy Grant Program  
Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control,  
River and Coastal Protection Act of 2006 (Proposition 84)**

**Subregion: NORTH-CENTRAL**

**County: PLUMAS**

**Applicant: COUNTY OF PLUMAS**

**Project Title: “PLANNING TO PLAN” FOR BETTER INTEGRATION OF WATER MANAGEMENT  
AMONG LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE NORTH CENTRAL SIERRA REGION**

**Reference Number: SNC 070203**

**PROJECT SCOPE**

This project would formalize a framework for a large-scale, integrated four-county water management program for the North-Central Sub-Region. Water management within the North-Central counties of the Sierra is currently fragmented. Additionally, water management issues extend well beyond individual counties to the entire sub-region and beyond. After initial conversations between local governments, the local governments will consult with water districts (water, wastewater, and flood control), Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) planning entities, and other water management interests in order to improve relations and build capacity and cooperation between the local governments and traditional water management agencies. Activities for the successful completion of this preliminary planning project include:

- Task 1 – Grant management by Plumas County Flood Control District
  - Develop presentation and meeting materials
  - Assign consultants for meetings, presentations, negotiations, etc.
  - Meeting summaries and other planning documents;
- Task 2 – Government-to-government consultation by Plumas County Supervisors, Flood Control District staff, and consultants
  - Initial meetings between county Supervisors
  - Develop white paper on planning priorities and potential partnerships
  - Brief elected officials and Dept. of Water Resources;
- Task 3 – Consultation with National Forests and National Parks in the Sub-Region;
- Task 4 – Consultation with Sierra and Northern Sacramento Valley stakeholders
  - Briefings with Mountain Counties region and North Sierra region
  - Meet with Northern California Water Association
  - Meet with various valley environmental and environmental justice interests on water management interests
  - Participation in IRWM and bond negotiations
  - Outreach to ensure North-Central Sub-Region interests and priorities are considered in legislation in 2008;
- Task 5 – Prepare final report and submit to Sierra, Butte, and Tehama County Supervisors for agreement to continue to develop a region-wide watershed management plan.

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

DETAILED PROJECT DELIVERABLES	TIMELINE
Complete update of briefing and informational materials	May 15, 2008
Consultations between the four county governments	May – June 2008
Consultations between Plumas County and National Forests, National Parks, Mountain Counties and North Sierra Region Supervisors, Northern California Water Association and other water associations and irrigation districts, and other identified and interested regional, business, water, and environmental organizations	July – August 2008
Draft report for review and comment	Sept. 30, 2008
Complete Final Report	Oct. 31, 2008
Review of Final Report by four County Supervisors with agreement to continue to develop a region-wide watershed management plan	Dec. 31, 2008
<b>Final Report/Final Payment Request</b>	<b>Dec. 31, 2008</b>

## PROJECT COSTS

PROJECT BUDGET CATEGORIES	TOTAL SNC FUNDING
Plumas County Flood Control grant coordination, administration, preparation of briefing materials, draft and final reports	13,045
Government-to-government consultation with Butte, Tehama, and Sierra counties	6,590
Consultation with Forest Service, Park Service, Department of Water Services, and other involved stakeholders	12,461
Stakeholder consultations	7,370
Briefing & consultation with state and federal elected officials & staff	8,980
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 48,446</b>

### Letters of Support:

- none

### Recommendation:

Staff recommends funding this project at the request amount of \$48,446.

## **Project Summary**

Provide a summary (one-page maximum) that describes key elements of the project and states the total project cost.